County of Los Angeles



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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO ESTABLISH PRIORITIES FOR THE EXPANSION OF STATE PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY (3 VOTES REQUIRED)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Adopt the Child Care Planning Committee's recommendations (Attachment I) to revise geographical priorities for future funding for State Preschool programs through the California Department of Education/Child Development Division (CDE/CDD).
- 2. Direct the Chair to sign the enclosed Local Planning Council (LPC) County Priorities Report Form.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval is needed from your Board and the County Superintencent of Education for the revised geographical priorities for expansion of State Preschool programs, in unserved/underserved areas in Los Angeles County. The CDE/CDD requests the identification of geographical priority areas to guide the process for allocating new funds, when they become available, to State Preschool programs for services to low-income families in Los Angeles County.

Education Code, Section 8499.5(e) states, "The department shall allocate funding within each county in accordance with the priorities identified by the local planning committee of that county and submitted to the department pursuant to this section, unless the priorities do not meet the requirements of state or federal law". The Los Angeles County Child Care Planning Committee has identified priority areas based on an assessment of the need for preschool services and the current availability of State Preschool services.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no net County cost or fiscal impact on County operations. Individual organizations prepared to provide services in the unserved/underserved communities will submit applications to CDE/CDD for expansion funds, when such funds become available.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The attached recommendations were reviewed at a public hearing held by the Child Care Planning Committee on June 22, 2006. The recommendations were adopted by the Child Care Planning Committee on July 11, 2006.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Funding for current child care and development services will not be impacted. The new recommendations will be used only for new funding made available through CDE/CDE.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by your Board, the Chief Administrative Office respectfully requests that your staff provides one (1) signed/stamped copy of the LPC County Priorities Report Form to Chief Administrative Office, Service Integration Branch, Office of Child Care, 222 South Hill Street, 5th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012. This form will be forwarded to the Child Development Division, as requested.

Respectfully submitted,

PEGGY SISSON

Chair, Child Care Planning Committee

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Attachments (2)

c: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel



Child Care Planning Committee of Los Angeles County

Recommended Priority Areas for Future Funding for State Preschool

The Child Care Planning Committee compiled the following data at the census tract and/or zip code level:

- 1) Number of children ages three and four in families whose incomes are less than 75% of the State Median Income (SMI). This data was newly calculated from an update to the 2000 Census data;
- 2) Number of preschool-age children who are currently enrolled in a California Department of Education/Child Development Division (CDE/CDD) State Preschool program, full-day State Preschool program, or general center based program; and
- Number of children in new Los Angeles Universal Preschool (LAUP) spaces, or in Head Start. These numbers were provided by the respective programs.

In creating a formula that would help identify the areas most in need of, more State Preschool resources, the size of the resident population of eligible children and the percentage of those children currently served were considered. The total population of children ages three through four was used, regardless of whether there were working parents in the family. Many Program Administrators in Los Angeles indicate that they often serve working families in their half-day programs. Thus it did not make sense to assume that only children in families who did not need full-day child development services should be counted as potential users of the State Preschool Program.

To be considered as a Priority 1 area, for potential funding in 2006-07, the number of unserved, eligible preschool-age children in the zip code area had to be at least five hundred, and current services in the area had not yet reached 75% of all the eligible children. To determine if these thresholds were reached, the number of eligible children was compared to the number of children currently served in that zip code area.

Furthermore, a threshold was set for Priority 2 areas: between three hundred and four hundred ninety-nine unserved eligible children and less than 75% of all eligible children currently served.

Using the data and the formula described above resulted in the identification of fifty-four zip codes as Priority 1 areas and twenty-two zip codes as Priority 2 areas for any new funding for State Preschool.

PRIORITY 1

Zip Codes by Service Planning Areas (SPA):

Service Planning Area 1

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Service Planning Area 2

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91306	91331	91335	91343	91401	91402	91405	91406
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Service Planning Area 3

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Service Planning Area 4

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90042	90057	90065					

Service Planning Area 5

No priority 1 areas

Service Planning Area 6

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90247	90250	90301	90731	90723	90744	90804	90805
90813							

PRIORITY 2

Zip Codes by Service Planning Areas (SPA):

Service Planning Area 1

No priority 2 areas

Service Planning Area 2

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91303	91304	91342	91352	91601

Service Planning Area 3

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Service Planning Area 4

90029 90031

Service Planning Area 5

90034

Service Planning Area 6

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Service Planning Area 7

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Service Planning Area 8

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90501	90304	90745	90802	90806

Other Priorities:

Agencies responding to funding proposals who will specifically serve American Indian populations should be considered as Priority 1 regardless of zip code.

All zip codes in Los Angeles County, other than those stated above, are considered Priority 3 areas.

The Child Care Planning Committee instructs the CDE/CDD to use these zip code priorities in promoting any future funding opportunities for State Preschool in the County of Los Angeles.

Local Planning Council (LPC) County Priorities Report Form

Please return to:

Local Planning Council Team Child Development Division 1430 N Street., Suite 3410 Sacramento, California 95814

Please complete all the information requested below: LPC Coordinator Name and Telephone Number: County Name: Laura Escobedo (213) 974-4102 Los Angeles The LPC hereby certifies that the priorities for State Preschool as indicated below have been prepared and reviewed in accordance with Education Code requirements. The priorities submitted to CDD in 2004 for are still valid and no change is needed. The priorities for State Preschool have been revised and are contained in the attached report: **Recommended Priorities for Future Funding for State Preschool**

(Attach additional nages if needed)

SIGNATURES *		
Authorized Representative - County Board of Supervisors	Telephone Number	Date
Authorized Representative - County Superintendent of Schools	Telephone Number	Date
Den POR	562.922-6127	7.1905
Local Child Care Planning Council Chairperson	Telephone Number	Date
Beggy a. Sesson	626 744-6939	7/11/06

Instructions for Signatures

If the priorities previously submitted are still valid, only the LPC Chairperson's signature is required.

Revisions to previously submitted priorities require approval of the County Board of Supervisors and the County Superintendent of Schools or an authorized representative of each entity.

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